

CLAIM OR CLAIMS

1. A tennis racket hand positioning device attachable to a handle of a tennis racket comprising:

a saddle shaped support member including an elongated thin attaching strip connected to and extending in spaced relation to and along a reverse surface of said support member;

said attaching strip sized in width to be similar to that of a top right or top left bevel of the handle and adapted to be supportively inserted beneath a turn of handle grip wrap of the handle and against the top right bevel;

said support member being positionable along a mid portion of the length of the handle and having the saddle shaped obverse surface which, when positioned in spaced relationship outwardly from and extending along a portion of the top right or top left bevel, depending upon whether the user is right-handed or left-handed, fits snugly into, and provides felt handle orientation indicia against the base of the thumb adjacent the palm of the user to advise of a preselected reorientation of a head of the tennis racket during a backhand stroke of the racket.

2. A tennis racket hand positioning device as set forth in Claim 1, wherein:

said support member is angularly reorientable with respect to said attaching strip whereby hand engagement of said obverse surface against the base of the thumb is selectable thereby.

3. A tennis racket hand positioning device as set forth in Claim 2, wherein:
said support member has a rubberized outer coating for enhanced hand engagement thereby.
4. A tennis racket hand positioning device as set forth in Claim 1, further comprising:
a disc-shaped palm support member having a flattened dome-shaped obverse surface including an elongated thin attaching strip connected to and extending radially from, and generally coplanar with a reverse surface of said support member;
said attaching strip sized in width to be similar to that of a top right or left bevel of the handle and adapted to be supportively inserted beneath a turn of handle grip wrap of the handle and against the top right or left bevel;
said support member having a width covering only a portion of a user's palm and adapted to be positionable along a mid portion of the length of the handle with the dome-shaped obverse surface fitting snugly into, and providing support felt and orientation indicia against the palm of the user to advise that a preselected reorientation of the handle and a head of the tennis racket has been achieved in preparation for completing a backhand stroke.
5. A tennis racket hand positioning device as set forth in Claim 5, further comprising:
an elongated body having an A-shaped or triangle-shaped cross section;

said body having a width similar to and attachable along a distal portion of the length of the handle atop a top bevel of the handle and having one flat side of the A-shaped or triangular-shaped obverse surface which, when positioned against and extending along a portion of the top bevel, provides felt orientation indicia against the base of the thumb of the user to advise of a preselected reorientation of the handle and racket head of the tennis racket during a backhand stroke of the tennis racket.

6. A tennis racket hand positioning device attachable to a handle of a tennis racket comprising:

an elongated body having A-shaped or triangle-shaped cross section;

said body having a width similar to and attachable along a distal portion of the length of the handle atop a top or top right bevel of the handle and having one flat side of the A-shaped or triangular-shaped obverse surface which, when positioned against and extending along a portion of the top bevel, provides felt orientation indicia against the base of the thumb adjacent the palm of the user to advise of a preselected reorientation of the handle and racket head of the tennis racket during a backhand stroke of the tennis racket.

7. A tennis racket hand positioning device as set forth in Claim 6, wherein:
said body is molded of resilient material.

8. A tennis racket hand positioning device as set forth in Claim 6, wherein:
one side surface of said body which contacts the base of the user's thumb adjacent the palm is generally coplanar with a top right or left bevel of the handle, depending upon whether the user is right handed or left handed, respectively.
9. A tennis racket hand positioning device as set forth in Claim 8, wherein:
one end portion of said reverse surface is contoured to fit in close alignment against, and positioned adjacent to, an enlarged butt of the handle.
10. A tennis racket hand positioning device attachable to a handle of a tennis racket comprising:
a disc-shaped palm support member having an elongated dome-shaped obverse surface including an elongated thin attaching strip connected to and extending radially from, and generally coplanar with a reverse surface of said support member;
said attaching strip sized in width to be similar to that of a top right or top left bevel of the handle and adapted to be supportively inserted beneath a turn of handle grip wrap of the handle and against one of the bevels of the handle;
said support member having a width covering only a portion of a user's palm and adapted to be positionable along a mid portion of the length of the handle with the dome-shaped obverse surface fitting snugly into, and providing support and felt orientation indicia against the palm of the user to advise that a preselected reorientation of the

handle and a head of the tennis racket has been achieved in preparation for completing a stroke.

11. A tennis racket hand positioning device as set forth in Claim 2, wherein:
said support member has a rubberized outer coating for enhanced hand engagement thereby.
12. A tennis racket hand positioning device as set forth in Claim 10, wherein:
said palm support member is angularly reorientable by deformation of a proximal portion of said attaching strip whereby palm void compensation is selectable thereby.